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SUBJECT: HOPE for Life, Inc. I

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The purpose of this E-mail memorandum is to advise staff that, effective immediately, admission into HOPE for Life, Inc. (HFL) is suspended. HFL I is licensed to provide intensive residential treatment services for six (06) females, ages twelve (12) to twenty-one (21) years. HFL II is licensed to provide intensive residential treatment services to seven (07) females, ages eleven (11) to twenty-one (21) years. HFL plans to use this time to develop plans to ensure staff receive necessary training to enable them to provide quality care for the youth, as well as implement revisions to the program that will strengthen services provided to the youth in a safe, nurturing, environment. No further placements are to be made until further notice.

Please feel free to contact Fred Proebsting, State Supervisor, Residential Program Unit, at (573) 751-4954 if you have any questions or comments regarding this matter.

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